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Marginal Column

By Commentator

THERE have been very persistent rumours of late, according to which contact has been established between Haj Amin el Husseini, the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, and the Communist party of Pakistan, his present country of adoption. Such a development would not come as a surprise to those who have followed Communist propaganda during recent months; the participants at the Islamic Congress at Karachi some time ago were vehemently denounced in the Soviet press as "tools of Western imperialism," but the name of the president and central figure of this meeting, Haj Amin, was always omitted. Communist parties in Asia have specialized for some time in collaboration with ultra-nationalist right wing elements; they work with the "Fadayan Islam" in Persia and the "Moslem Brotherhood" in Syria, and cooperated with the chauvinist "Dar ul Islam" in Indonesia and with Ahmed Boestaman's semi-fascist party in Malaya. They would doubtlessly be able to find common ground in a temporary alliance with the ex-Mufti, with whom they did establish a common front in the early 'thirties in Palestine. Haj Amin still wields a certain influence in the Arab East, and he could be undoubtedly be useful to Soviet propaganda. Fifteen years ago the Communists were the junior partner in this alliance; nowadays this position would probably fall to the ex-Mufti, who has been waiting since 1948 for a come-back to world politics.

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WHAT does Washington know about Communism in the Middle East? An analysis of a recent survey on this subject, published by the U.S. government and containing some material apparently considered "classified" hitherto, shows that its knowledge is neither complete nor up-to-date. It should be stated for fairness's sake, that the chapter on "Palestine" must have been written as long ago as 1948, but it was hopelessly out of date even then. The survey mentions such immensely important items as the marriage of Ester Vilenska to Meir Wilner, the Communist Knesset member, and an alleged "deal" between the Communist and the IZL in September 1947, but lacks a thorough analysis of conditions and first hand authentic knowledge. The two leading Arab Communists in Palestine named and described in a biographical appendix are Dr. Budayri and Emil Touma, neither of whom are now active.

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A MOST important event has taken place meanwhile on the Soviet home front, which, like other important events in Russia, has not been publicized abroad. The "third agrarian revolution" which began late last year has been called off, without any further explanation. According to a previous decision of the politburo's, instead of Russia's 200,000 small Kolchoses, 70,000 larger ones were to have been established, in order to make political supervision of the countryside easier, to introduce more modern methods of cultivation and to increase output. It was fundamentally a sound scheme, but the planners were apparently not conscious of the great difficulties involved as millions of new houses would have had to be built. Several districts such as the Ukraine and Moscow region had already made "good progress" according to official announcements, when the Politburo suddenly decided to stop the whole process. Andrei Andreevitch Andreev, the man with the somewhat unoriginal name, a Politburo member for the past 20 years who was responsible for agricultural affairs, appears to be out of office for good. There was of course no official statement to that effect, but his elimination had been discussed for some time, and a recent issue of "Pravda" reported that on a certain occasion "Comrade Stalin appeared with all the members of the Politburo," and Andreev was not included in the list. When the "Big Soviet Cyclopedia" was published last year, it was confidently said in Moscow that many articles would have to be rewritten by the time the last volume was published. Last autumn, Andreev still ruled two whole pages. The "cyclopedia" has now only reached "Biro-Bidjan."

Tankers Told to Avoid Abadan; Police Guard in Oil Fields

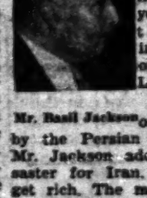
TEHERAN, Saturday (Reuter). — While British Anglo-Iranian Oil Company officials had decided to defy the Persian Oil Nationalisation Commission demands, the news came from Basra that British and British-chartered oil tankers have been instructed not to call at Abadan. It was accompanied by reliable reports that Royal Air Force bases near Baghdad and Abadan had been alerted, and that General Sir Brian Robertson, British Commander in Chief of Middle East land forces, was ready to take immediate action if circumstances warrant.

Earlier, the British Ambassador to Teheran, Sir Francis Shepherd, and the chief of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's delegation announced independently that there "is no hope of a resumption of oil negotiations between Britain and Persia as long as the Mossadeq government is in power."

Death for Sabotage

Today, the Persian Government created a new Security Commission to guard nationalized oil properties and proposed death penalties for sabotage. At the same time it issued an ultimatum to British technical workers to inform the Oil Nationalization Commission within 36 hours whether they are willing to work for the National Iranian Oil Company. It was expected here that Mr. Eric Drake would refuse to carry on as Manager of the Abadan refinery, and that most British technicians would follow his lead.

Police, who are already guarding railway lines, tunnels and bridges, were ordered by the new Security Commission to extend their vigilance to the oilfields themselves. On all fronts Iranian officials were moving to ensure that the complex refinery machinery will continue working.



Mr. Basil Jackson of the A.I.O.C.

Mr. Basil Jackson, who left Teheran with the members of his delegation yesterday, made the statement in The Hague, on his way to London.

"The looting by the Persian Government," Mr. Jackson added, "is a disaster for Iran. They cannot get rich. The money will not come in — it will go out."

Today, the A.I.O.C. warned the Persian Government that oil aboard waiting tankers at Abadan would be pumped back ashore if the Persians continued to demand receipts for it made out to the new National Iranian Oil Company. Loaded tankers at Abadan have been refused clearance by the Persians because their masters were unwilling to sign such receipts.

Last night, however, two tankers sailed under a "temporary agreement" with the Persian Government, and the company said today it was still attempting to reach agreement with the Persians on a form of receipt acceptable to both sides.

Evacuation Prepared

Meanwhile, wives and children of British staff on the oilfields were ordered to pack up and concentrate at the company's headquarters in Abadan, ready for immediate evacuation at any moment that serious trouble breaks out. Plans are also ready for the full-scale evacuation of the entire British oilfields staff, numbering some 3,000 men.

Earlier, Premier Mossadeq returned to the British Embassy a letter from them on the oil dispute, claiming the matter was not the Embassy's affair. An Embassy spokesman suggested afterwards that the gesture "was not very polite."

The British Embassy letter, he said, was a copy of the one sent by the A.I.O.C. to Finance Minister Ali Varasteh last night, which pointed out that present Persian policy might lead to a mass resignation of British employees and to a complete close-down of the Abadan refinery.

British officials pointed out that was very dangerous. "We shall insist Persian officials supervise the entire operation," he said.

Iraq Won't Talk About Haifa

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — Iraq has refused to discuss re-opening the oil pipeline to Haifa with the British delegation now negotiating a new oil agreement in Baghdad, official quarters here disclosed yesterday.

The Iraqis rejected all suggestions to allow the flow of oil to the Haifa refineries, which stopped operations in 1948. The supply of oil to the Haifa plant has assumed new importance since Iran nationalized her oil industry.

British Apply To Hague Court

THE HAGUE, Saturday (Reuter). — The International Court of Justice will meet in special session next Friday to deal with the British application for an injunction preventing Persia taking any action prejudicial to the Court's eventual decision in the oil dispute. Sir Philip Nichols, British Ambassador to the Netherlands, handed the British application to the Court yesterday.

The delivery of the note followed Britain's original application on May 26 asking the Court to arbitrate in the dispute between the Persian Government and the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company.

Yesterday's British application requested "as a matter of extreme urgency" that, pending final judgment, the Persian government should:

- Permit the Anglo Iranian Oil Company to carry on free from interference;
- Not hinder or attempt to hinder the Company or its agents from carrying on normally;
- Not seize or otherwise interfere with any of the company's property;
- Not seize any monies earned by the Company or otherwise in its possession, including "any monies which the Imperial Government of Iran have purported to nationalize or otherwise to expropriate."

Damage Feared

The application seeks to show that if the actions or threatened actions of the Persian Government are carried out, the whole complicated enterprise of the Company in Persia may be irretrievably damaged to a point where it would be impossible to assess the damage in terms of money and beyond the capacity of Persia to compensate out of her revenue.

The application also claims that the Persian Government's press and radio campaign of vilification of the Company and the British is intended to aggravate the dispute by leading to violence, injury and even deaths.

The British Government makes it clear that while, as plaintiff in the dispute, it expects the protective measures it seeks to be taken by the Persian Government, it is itself prepared to give such undertakings as the Court may consider necessary to protect legitimate Persian interests pending a settlement of the dispute.

In London, the Minister of Fuel, Mr. Philip Noel Baker, said last night that if Persian oil supplies were totally shut down, British companies could almost immediately find 6m. tons of crude oil from other sterling sources. They could also refine 8m. tons more in other plants throughout the world, he added.

Not a "Disaster"

"I do not minimize the loss which we should suffer, but others would make a great mistake if they counted on it being more serious than I have said," Mr. Noel Baker declared. The stopping of Persian oil supplies "would not mean the swift, irreparable disaster which some people have predicted," he added.

On Thursday night Mr. Herbert Morrison told Parliament that Britain did not wish to exploit Persia's oil fields.

Speaking to a tense House of Commons on the crisis in Persia, he said: "It is our wish that the officers and technicians of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company should stay there. We are watching the position day by day and we shall do everything we can to protect British life."

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The major U.S. oil companies will not assist the Persian Government to operate the nationalized oilfields if the British authorities are forced out, it was learned here today.

Plane Crashes With 40 Aboard

DAKAR, Saturday (UP). — The wreckage of the Pan-American Constellation which crashed in Liberia on Thursday night has been sighted four miles south of the village of Sanoya. The plane, carrying 40 passengers from Johannesburg to New York, was found after a widespread search. A company spokesman said men would be parachuted to the scene.

UNRWA OFFICE DYNAMITED

NEW YORK, Saturday (INA). —The office of the U.N. Relief and Works Administration at Sidon, a Lebanese camp for Palestine refugees, centre for extensive relief operations, was dynamited on Thursday midnight, the "New York Times" said today in a despaich from Beirut.

The Lebanese police are hunting for the culprits.

London Conference Discusses Middle East and Persia

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Saturday. — The standardization of equipment and the expansion of Middle Eastern storage facilities are among subjects discussed at the Commonwealth Defence Talks, it is reliably learned. The proposed adoption by Britain of a new rifle raises technical problems, since the U.S. and Canada are standardizing a different model. The question of storage is linked with the Anglo-Egyptian talks.

There are indications that the emphasis is shifting from the Canal Zone to Libya and Cyprus, but the Conference is handicapped by not knowing how far to the east of Sicily and Malta Admiral Carney's command will eventually extend and what will correspond to it in the East Mediterranean. Actual strategic plan-ranean.

Persia was briefly discussed yesterday in the light of Morrison's general indication that no military action is planned. As "The Times" emphasized today, such action would have to be backed by far larger Commonwealth — read Indian or Pakistan — forces than are available. The chief criticism of the Government is that they failed to see early enough that the independence of India and Pakistan, the hostility of Egypt and other changes had so weakened the British position in the Middle East that it was necessary to seek a new agreement with Persia which need not depend on force to maintain it."

M.E. Defence Board Planned in London

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter) — Commonwealth Defence Ministers meeting in secret here may propose setting up a Middle East Defence Board on which France, the U.S. and Britain would be represented, a usually reliable source said yesterday. Turkey, Greece and some Commonwealth countries might also be members of the Board.

The tentative proposal is that this Defence Board would later be linked to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, but would not be an integral part of it.

The ministers, who held their second session yesterday, are considering global strategy, but especially Middle East defence. After yesterday's sitting, the Conference adjourned until Monday.

De Gaulle Willing To Form Government

PARIS, Saturday (UP). — General Charles de Gaulle announced yesterday that as leader of the largest party in the new Parliament he is willing to form a new Government.

Refusing to join the present middle-of-the-road coalition, General de Gaulle said at a press conference, "we are ready to form a new Government. But do not count on our ability to do so. We know other parties prefer to govern without us. Let them try but we are convinced they will not succeed."

P.M. and Riley Dine With U.S. Ambassador

RAMAT GAN, Saturday. — The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion, and Lieut.-General William Riley, the U.N. Chief of Staff, were dinner guests of the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnett B. Davis, here on Thursday night.

General Riley had arrived late in the afternoon by private plane from Beirut.

Others at the dinner party were the Chief of Staff, Ra'anan Aloof Yigael Yadin, and Mr. B. Shiloah.

Suez For Security Council

By Jesse Zel Lurie, POST Correspondent

FLUSHING MEADOW, Saturday. — The Suez question will be placed on the agenda of the Security Council during the presidency of Sir Gladwyn Jebb during July, I learned authoritatively today.

Since the last Council resolution on Suez requested General Riley to report back, it will be simple for Sir Gladwyn to place General Riley's report on the agenda for early consideration without any specific request from an interested party or parties.

Israel, which brought the matter up last November, expects the leading maritime and oil nations to take the initiative though the Israel delegates are actively discussing with the other delegations what steps can be taken to end the blockade.

Israel's view is that General Riley's findings, that Egypt is committing an act of aggression, makes action imperative if the prestige won by successfully stopping aggression in Korea is not to be lost. The grave possibility that the Abadan refineries may be shut down and the necessity of bringing oil tankers through the Suez Canal to Haifa makes Israel's views more palatable to the rest of the U.N., but they are still far from the view of treating Egypt or any other Arab state like North Korea.

News of the proposal that the tankers may be provided with Naval escorts through the Canal has caused a stir in the Arab world. At an off-the-record press luncheon with the leading British delegates, Arab correspondents here asked several angry questions on Mr. Eden's statement in the Commons last week.

Concern over Egypt

By Our Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — I understand that the Government may decide that the Suez blockade should not be dealt with on its own merits alone, but also in relation to the new and alarming interpretation of the Armistice Agreement given by Egypt's Legal Representative at the recent meeting of the Special Committee, held under the chairmanship of Gen. Riley, and sustained by Gen. Riley's judgment.

Egypt's insistence that it is at war with Israel and may conduct war — notably economic warfare — against Israel except where explicitly limited by the terms of the Armistice Agreement, has put an entirely new complexion upon this country's relations with the Arab states, including those relations which have become the special concern of the various U.N. agencies established in the Middle East.

It is felt here that if Egypt's interpretation of the Armistice Agreement is upheld, Israel cannot be expected to enter into piecemeal agreements on such questions as financial compensation for abandoned Arab property, etc. It would be folly, indeed, to conclude piecemeal agreements involving concessions in cases where the other party considers itself legally able to utilize such concessions for the conduct of economic and other war operations against this country.

The whole problem raised by Gen. Riley's recent judgment on the Suez Canal blockade is therefore under careful investigation here, and a decision upon the action to be taken at Lake Success or elsewhere may be expected fairly soon.

Paris Talks Over But Hope Seen

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — Two days after the Big Four deputies talks have broken up here, Mr. Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General, said in Oslo: "The door is not closed to Big Four talks either in Washington or in other places." He believed that the deputies are looking forward to a new conference "after a while." Yesterday, Mr. Ernest Davies also said here that the door was still open for a Big Four Foreign Ministers' Conference.

"We have made that absolutely clear," he told reporters. "Make no mistake, Russia is responsible for this breakdown," he said. "A meeting could take place which would enable the whole international situation in Europe to be discussed, examined and decided upon."

74 Meetings

The talks ended on Thursday night after 74 meetings when the deputies failed to reach agreement on an agenda for a meeting of Foreign Ministers. The Western deputies issued a declaration, in the form of a formal note to Russia, saying there was no purpose in continuing the talks since Russia had insisted on including discussion of the North Atlantic Treaty on the agenda and had turned down the Western suggestion of a meeting without any set agenda, on the basis of "agreement so far reached."

After Mr. Ernest Davies, the British deputy, had read the declaration, M. Gromyko indicated that he wished to make a statement.

In his later statement, Mr. Gromyko said the Western Powers had throughout refused to include in the agenda the most important questions, such as the reduction of armaments and the demilitarization of Germany and had finally brought the deputies' conference to deadlock on the North Atlantic Treaty.

The declaration disrupting the preliminary conference, he said, could only be considered as an act to prevent a meeting of the Foreign Ministers. Responsibility for the present situation fell on the Western governments who had tried to dictate to the Soviet delegation.

Mr. Davies returned to London from Paris today. He told reporters that perhaps some progress towards eliminating the present causes of international tension had been made at the meetings.

Malik Proposes Cease-Fire Conference on Korea

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — The Chief Soviet Delegate, M. Jacob Malik, today proposed a conference between the belligerents in Korea to discuss a cease-fire and an armistice on the 38th Parallel. Speaking on a U.N. broadcast Mr. Malik said: "The Soviet people believe that the most acute problem of the present day — the problem of the armed conflict in Korea — can be settled. This would require the readiness of the parties to enter on the path of a peaceful settlement of the Korean question.

"The Soviet people believe," he continued, "that as a first step discussions should be started between the belligerents for a cease-fire and armistice providing for the mutual withdrawal of forces from the 38th Parallel."

Mr. Malik then asked this question "Can such a step be taken? I think it can provided there is a sincere desire to put an end to the fighting in Korea.

"I think that surely is not too great a price to pay in order to achieve peace in Korea."

Mr. Malik prefaced his proposal for a Korean cease-fire with about 15 minutes of accusations against the North Atlantic Pact and the "ruling circles" of Britain and the U.S., the international "war mongers" and the U.N. organization as a whole.

His main points were :

World tension: "The Chief reason for the deterioration in relations between the U.S.S.R. and the three Western Powers is the establishment of the North Atlantic military alliance."

Aggression: "The conclusion of the North Atlantic Pact, the establishment of American military bases abroad, the remilitarization of Western Germany and the creation of West German armed forces, the encouragement of a revival of Japanese militarism, the armaments race and the expansion of armed forces in the countries of the North Atlantic Pact and especially in the U.S. — these are all current features of the aggressive policy of the Western Powers."

Earlier today Mr. Malik, Chief Soviet delegate, circulated to the U.N. a document compiled by the "Women's International Democratic Federation."

Three Requests

After listing many alleged atrocities by U.N. troops in Korea, the document asked the U.N. to take these three steps:

- The immediate cessation of civilian bombing;
- Peaceful settlement of the Korean problem and the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea;
- An opportunity for the Korean people to decide their own destiny and settle their domestic affairs themselves.

These terms were substantially the same as those sponsored by the Soviet Union in the General Assembly on October 7, in which it was proposed to have a cease-fire, withdraw all foreign troops and arrange all Korean elections through a Joint Commission of North and South Koreans.

No Korean Move On Anniversary

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Western Allies will issue no joint "peace" statement on the first anniversary on Monday of the Communist attack on South Korea. The State Department made this announcement last night after a meeting of diplomats from the 16 countries with troops in Korea.

It was learned the U.S. opposed any such statement on the grounds that the Chinese Communists have shown no interest in the possibility of a truce.

In Tokyo, Lt-Gen. Van Fleet, Eighth Army Commander in Korea, said today the first year of the Korean war had been one of "heartbreaks and victories." It had not been in vain, he declared.

"Our mision is to repulse the Communist aggressors and we shall campaign under the United Nations banner until we will fulfil this mission," he concluded.

U.S. Asks More Troops for Korea

LAKE SUCCESS, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S. Government yesterday asked the U.N. Secretary-General to appeal to member nations which have given their support to the action in Korea, but have not made contributions of armed forces, to make contributions of substantial ground forces according to their capacities. The communication was addressed to the U.N. "on behalf of the U.S. acting in its capacity as the Unified Command" in Korea.

The U.S. communication said: "There is real need for additional forces from member states in the light of massive Chinese concentrations in the area and of their continuing aggression."

The U.N. Secretariat today forwarded the appeal to 39 member governments, including Nationalist China.

Party Lists Still Not Complete As Deadline Approaches

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Candidates' lists for the Second Knesset elections were not quite complete at most party centres tonight, although tomorrow evening is the deadline set by the Central Electoral Committee. Such lists were compiled in outline by various party committees, but the final order is not expected to be fixed until a few hours before the 8 p.m. deadline tomorrow.

The Mapai Central Committee met yesterday afternoon to decide on its list, which will unquestionably be headed by Mr. Ben Gurion. It is understood that Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, the Knesset Speaker, will be second on the list, followed by the present Cabinet members. The list is expected to produce few surprises, except that Mr. Behor Shitreet, the Minister of Police, has reportedly been placed high on the list. Mr. A. Elmalieh who had entered the first Knesset on a Sephardi list, now appears on the Mapai list.

Mapam had no list ready yesterday, and the final decision will be taken tomorrow when most members of the committee return to Tel Aviv from their week-end at home in their Kibbutzim. Mr. M. Ya'ari is expected to head the list.

The Progressive list will be headed by Dr. P. Rosen, followed by Mr. A. Granott and Mr. Moshe Kol. Mr. I. Harari, Dr. H. Foerder and Mr. I. Cohen are certain to follow them.

The General Zionists tried hard tonight to prevent several candidates from entering splinter lists. Mr. P. Bernstein will head the General Zionists' list, with Mr. I. Rokach second. The party's elections committee will sit tonight to decide who the other candidates are to be

Newcomers' Attempts

Several attempts to create lists were being made during the week-end by newcomers on the political scene, who expect to obtain support from new immigrants.

A meeting between representatives of the Mizrahi, the Agudat Israel and Agudat Israel Workers is to decide whether the three parties are to enter a joint list as a Religious Bloc. If no agreement is reached, the Mizrahi will run a list headed by Mr. D. Z. Pinkas. Rabbi M. Nurok would be second, and the third place would go to Dr. S. Rosenberg. The list was approved at the conference of the Mizrahi Party which ended at dawn on Friday. A Yi-man council was also elected, and the convention sent a message of greetings to Rabbi Y. L. Maimon, who was not present during the deliberations.

The Hapoel Hamizrahi, which decided to enter a separate list, will appear with Mr. M. Shapiro, the Minister of Interior, at the head, followed by Mr. M. Usna, Knesset Member, Mr. I. Raphael of the Jewish Agency, and Mr. Y. Burg, Deputy Knesset Speaker, but the exact order has not yet been decided.

Airlift Resumes Earlier Tempo

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. — Since Thursday night the Iraqi airlift has continued at something near its old tempo. Six aircraft have arrived with 574 immigrants and a seventh is expected at 11 o'clock tonight.

It is estimated that 4,000 more Jews await emigration in Baghdad and that they can be brought out by the end of this month. Arrivals report that the Iraqi authorities have eased the restrictions following the alleged arms discoveries earlier last week.

Immigrants are now being registered and searched in the building opposite the Ezra Daoud Synagogue, where the first "discoveries" had been made. They are searched once more at the Airport.

The speed of the airlift seems now to depend on the aircraft available.

The Arabic press yesterday, as well as several foreign agencies, reported that the airlift had been stopped by the Iraqi authorities on Thursday afternoon, pending the results of the investigation into the arms discoveries in Baghdad.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The U.S. will oppose the use of any Chinese Nationalist forces in Korea if such aid should be offered from Formosa in response to the call for additional troops from U.N. members, an American spokesman said in New York yesterday.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver passed through Lydda at midnight on his way from the United States to South Africa to participate in the J.N.F. Golden Jubilee celebrations. Rabbi Silver told The POST that he would probably stop in Israel on his way back in September when the Herut Congress.

Clashes Along Front; Chinese Prepare

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — U.N. troops maintained the tactical offensive in Korea today in a series of minor though hard-fought clashes along the whole front while the Communists were believed to be preparing for a new general attack. Evidence that the Communist are mounting what would be their second big offensive of this year came from reports of increasingly heavy movement along supply lines and in near areas.

Air observers reported very heavy traffic on the east coast roads between Hanhung and Wonson, evidently at outlet points for the base supply lines from the railways nearest the border.

An unspecified U.N. force swept more than six miles in a patrol action across a sector of the front yesterday firing only a few rounds in a brief encounter with a Communist group.

Allied tanks ranged northwest of Chorwon while infantry made their closest approach to the former Communist supply centre of Pyonggang, since Eighth Army patrols entered it on reconnaissance ten days ago.

Across the western front the Allies maintained their probing of Communist positions north of Kumgangpoki and west of Yonchon, putting down heavy mortar fire with their artillery counter.

An Eighth Army communique tonight described contact as light along most parts of the front. It said Allied troops had withdrawn slightly in face of an attack from a Chinese battalion north-west of late but regained their positions in a counter-attack.

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ISRAELIS FISHING IN HIGH SEAS

POST Reporter

IN 1951 Israel's fishermen will provide about 35 per cent of the fish which Israel will consume, a spokesman of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food told journalists on a two-day cruise aboard the fishing boat "Zvi," the modern experimental ship of the Fishing Department of the Ministry. The fishermen are now working in ponds and lakes as well as in Mediterranean waters and on the high seas as far as Morocco and the North Sea.

The total catch in 1951 is expected to reach 18,000 tons, compared to 2,700 tons in 1948, 4,200 tons in 1949 and 7,000 tons in 1950. This increase is of vital importance to the nation's economy, as Israel's annual consumption of 23 kilos of fish per head is one of the highest in the world, second only to the rate of consumption in some Far Eastern countries and in Scandinavia.

The almost unparalleled speed with which the Israel fishing industry has grown and increased its production more than six-fold in four years, was made possible mostly by increased production in the breeding ponds, and by developing upper level fishing in the open seas, and fishing fields.

It had been known to Jewish fishermen for a number of years that the upper levels of the Eastern Mediterranean abound in sardines, mackerel and tunny-fish, but they lacked the necessary equipment and experience to exploit these possibilities.

In 1949, the Government leased two fishing boats from Italy and their crews explored the possibilities of upper level fishing and began to train Israelis for their new trade. Their results exceeded all expectations, and accordingly in 1950 the Government equipped five ships for fine-net fishing, seven ships for night fishing with illuminated nets and two ships with concentrated nets, such as are used in Turkey.

Israel Adaptation

During the five months of operations since the 1950 season opened last September these 14 ships netted over 450 tons of fish and developed a system suited to Israel conditions, combining the deep level trawling with the upper level fishing. In summer the ships catch fish with ring nets in upper levels, but in winter they must trawl nearer to the coast dragging the funnel shaped nets close to the bottom of the sea.

When the fishing season starts this year, 28 ships will be ready to sail for upper level fishing, and more are expected to follow them during the season.

The second new opportunity opened for Israel fishing is in the big international fields of the high seas. In 1950, the first ship under an Israel flag appeared in the North Sea. The initiative in this direction was taken by a British Jew who, helped by investments from the Histadrut, established a fishing firm and sent out the first ship, which brought in 500 tons of herring and mackerel. The fish were taken to England, cleaned and refrozen and shipped to Haifa.

During 1951, the firm will operate four ships of 500 tons each: three to fish and one to refrigerate the catch. Two fishing ships are already in the North Sea and have their base in one of the British fishing ports and one is operating in the Moroccan sea, based on Haifa. A few days ago the first shipload of fish caught in the Moroccan waters was unloaded in Haifa. The crews of these ships are mostly of foreign nationality at present, but on each ship a number of Israel fishermen are being trained and will take over, step by step, from the foreigners.

Wharfs Needed

Training of Israel experts is only one of the many problems facing the Israel fishing industry. Lack of hard currency hinders purchase of sufficient new ships and equipment, lack of suitable ports and wharfs complicates off loading, training and minor repairs. While lack of foreign currency is a common trouble of Israel's whole national economy, some improvement may be expected when the fishing ports of Caesarea and Mihmoreth, now under construction, are completed. It is expected that the construction of another port on the North coast of the country, and another in the South will start this year.

The "Zvi" renders important service for the development of Israel's fishing industry. It is a modern experimental ship built in 1949 in Denmark and manned by seven hard-working young Israel fishermen. With other experimental ships, it explores the sea for new fishing grounds and experiments with new systems of fishing. The "Zvi" will soon receive special equipment and start drawing a new fishing map along the shores of Israel.

FREE. — The Mysore Government has released Dr. Ram Monanlar Lohia, Indian Socialist leader, from imprisonment. He was arrested on June 13 after leading a peasant demonstration.

Social & Personal

Mr. Rudolph Sonneborn left New York aboard the Queen Elizabeth on Friday on his way to Israel.

Mr. Moshe Kol, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, left by Air France on Thursday night for Belgium, France and Italy, in connection with Youth Aliya affairs.

Mr. Bartley Crum returned to Israel on Thursday night after a short visit to Paris in connection with his legal practice. Mr. Crum has been nominated Chairman of the Board of Directors of Cy-De, Ltd.

Mr. Heral Rosenbloom, Editor of "Yediot Ahronot," and Mr. T.R. Lurie, Managing Editor of The Jerusalem Post, and Mrs. Lurie returned from the U.S. by El Al plane yesterday. Mr. Rosenbloom and Mr. Lurie were among the newspaper editors who flew on El Al's inaugural flight to New York last month and later accompanied Mr. Ben Gurion on his tour of the U.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Goldfarb, prominent leaders in the U.J.A., New York, have just arrived in Israel for a brief visit.

Mr. Yitzhak Kurland, of the Economic Dept. of the Jewish Agency, has left by air for the Continent and North Africa.

Dr. Benjamin Vardy, Hon. Secretary of the Friends of the Anti-Tuberculosis League of Israel in London, has arrived in Israel to consult on urgent matters in connection with the work of the League.

Marcelle Berr de Tourique, Paris art critic, will conduct a guided tour (in French) through the Chagall exhibition at 5.30 this afternoon at the Bezalel Museum.

James Sachs Plaut, Director of the Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, will deliver the last of a series of lectures at the Bezalel Museum at 8.30 tomorrow evening. His talk on "Art and Industry" will be accompanied by lantern slides. Admission, 300 pruta, students and members, 200 pruta.

Dora Kalinovna, the Parisian diseuse, will present a concert for the benefit of the Agricultural Training Centre for Israel Children at 8.45 on Wednesday evening at the Y.M.C.A. in Jerusalem.

Mr. A. Olsker, Registrar of the Tel Aviv District Court, has been appointed a Magistrate, effective August 1.

Labour Told 'Hands Off' Geulim School

The Minister of Education was ordered by the High Court on Friday, for the second time, to prevent the Labour Trend from exercising any jurisdiction over the Geulim School in Jerusalem.

The school, which was to be part of the General Trend, had, in fact, been transferred to the Labour Trend as parents in the neighbourhood wished to register their children at a Labour school. An order prohibiting such practice was issued by the High Court last December, but the interpretation given the decision made it possible for the Labour Trend to continue supervising the school.

In Friday's ruling the Court explicitly stated that the Labor Trend was to exercise no control over the school. The Directorate and teachers are to put themselves under the jurisdiction of the General Trend and to obey its instructions. The Minister of Education in addition is ordered to refrain from any activities that might infringe on the authority the General Trend is to exercise over the school.

The applicant for the order was Mr. Haim Afiav, a representative of the General Trend. He was represented by Dr. N. A. Hornstein.

The Court was composed of Justices Dunkelblum, Cheshin and Silberg.

LAST ZEALOT REMANDED

Hanukah Cohen, the only zealot suspect, outside of the four facing a preliminary inquiry, who has not yet been released on bail, was remanded for another five days by the Jerusalem Chief Magistrate, Mr. M. Gaulan, on Friday.

He is charged with participation in the activities of an illegal organization and with conspiracy to set cars and butcher shops on fire.

In addition to spending some time at the Jalameh detention camp, Cohen had been remanded a total of 22 days prior to his appearance in Court on Friday.

The Hebrew Repertory
OPERA
TEL AVIV: Habimah Theatre, Tuesday, June 26, 8.30 p.m.
JERUSALEM: Edison Theatre, Thursday, June 28, 8 p.m.
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NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 6, 8.30 and 10.35 p.m.; English: 2 and 10.35 p.m.; Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 3 p.m.; Turkish: 10 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R.). 7.15 Melodies (R.). 7.45 Oriental Music: R. Amar. 8.30 Close Down.

9 a.m., Greek Orthodox Service from Nazareth. 10.30 Music (R). 11.00 Concert Hall: Suite from "Dido & Aeneas" (Purcell-Caillist); Violin Concerto (Paganini-Kreisler); "Roman & Juliet" (Berlioz). 12.00 K. Break for Music (R). 12.30 Programme for Hospitals (R). 1.00 Soldiers' Programme. 1.45 Housewives' Corner. 2.15 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 4.30 Dance Music (R). 4.45 Piano Recital: Lotty Khaled. 5.00 Kol Yisrael Orchestra: Conductor: Yehuda Cohen: Overture "Beautiful Melusina" (Mendelssohn); Symphony in D Major (Mozart). 6.30 Film Review. 6.40 Musical Programme, Announcements. 6.45 Talk. 6.50 Children's Hour. 7.00 Agricultural Corner. 7.45 Bible Reading. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Conductor: Heinz Freudenthal. Soloist: Tossy Spivakovsky: "Princessan av Cypern" (Larsson); Concerto for Violin & Orchestra (Tchaikovsky). 9.30 "The Citizen Wants to Know." 9.45 From the World of Music. 10.30 "De a Desert Island." 11.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (482.3 M.): 7.00 p.m. Yiddish; 7.30 p.m. Ladino; 7.50 p.m. French; 8.00 p.m. Rumanian; 8.15 p.m. Hungarian.

Kol Zion Lagola (32.3 M.): 12.15 a.m. Newsreel. 12.30 "Personal Column" by W. Eytan. 12.45 "Forum on Foreign Affairs."

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.91 and 24.92 M.): 7.30 News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Programme Parade. 7.49 Music.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (299, 225 & 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements. 6.33 Variety. 7.00 Land Forces Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Sports. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Talk. 8.45 Folk Dances. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 9-9.30 p.m. (13.85, 16.46, 17.01 & 19.07 from U.S.A. 25.63 & 25.36 from Tangiers).

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Swimming Competition At Y.M.C.A.

The difficulties and obstacles obstructing the progress of swimming in the Capital are gradually being overcome. This is due to two main factors, the interest of the Department of Education and Culture (who have incorporated the teaching of the sport as an essential part of the school programme) and to the availability of the fine swimming pool of the "Y" (which has been placed at the disposal of Jerusalemites by the Association's authorities).

The first large scale tournament for school children to be held in Jerusalem for many years was staged at the pool last Thursday when pupils of the four higher grades in school participated in the competition. It seems that the revival of interest and the co-ordination of the possessers of one of Israel's best indoor pools—if not the best—has gone a long way towards enabling the "dry" denizens of the Capital to indulge in a sport which is one of Israel's favourites. Already over 600 pupils from 10 schools are using the "Y" pool regularly under the Education Department's scheme.

A.K.

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 3.30, 7 and 9 p.m.
EDEN: Lady Without Passport. Also today at 10.30 a.m.
EDISON: Home of the Brave.
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SEMADAR: Egy Asszony Elindul (7.15 & 9.15 p.m.).
STUDIO: The Bicycle Thieves.
ZION: The Hasty Heart.

Haifa Cinemas

GAN YAM (Bat Galim): Salome Where She Danced (8.30 p.m.).

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"Y" RESTART BOXING

Celebrating the re-opening of their boxing section the Y.M.C.A. invited a team of Jerusalem Hapoel fighters to a tournament recently and in a nice display, shared the honours in a four-match tournament.

RESULTS: Featherweight: Machlach (Y.M.C.A.) drew with Shlomo Kadoshin (J. Hap.). Lightweight: Abs'i Tenfa'i (Y.) beat Sa'ar (J. Hap.) on points. Bantamweight: Y. Daniel (J. Hap.) beat G. Uriel (Y) on points. Heavyweight: H. Dahan (J. Hap.) drew with Hinmson (Y). In another heavyweight feature Sukenik beat his Y.M.C.A. clubmate, Yaacobov.

The bouts comprised three two minute rounds. Referee: Weiner, and Umpires: Gottlieb and Henry Mayer.

J'lem Youth Basket

The Youth Basketball League in Jerusalem sponsored by the Sports Section of the Y.M.C.A., continued its games last week.

RESULTS

Up to 16: Maccabi beat Y.M.C.A., 50-24 (22-12 halftime); Hapoel "A" bt. Hapoel "B," 62-15 (22-5), 18-18; Hapoel Ma'on bt. Maccabi, 52-2 (20-4); Hapoel Dror bt. Hapoel Ofir, 23-16 (10-8); Hapoel Ofir bt. Maccabi, 22-20 (14-0).

M.F.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON FRIDAY

Columbia Heights, U.S., cows.
Ulla, Sw., gen. cargo, cement.
Montcalm, Br., dura.
Semlah, Tur., gen. cargo.
Tulcea, It., gen. cargo, wood.
Rikland, Sw., gen. cargo, wood.
Akka, Is., machines.
Clelia Campanella, It., wood.
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Topusko, Yug., wood.
Galilah, Is., compl. unloading.
Megalachari, Pan, Ascona, Mosel, gen. cargo.
Tiran, Gr., wood.
Gavriel, Is., compl. unloading.
Sehhatta, Tur., Plywood.
Palermo, Brit., barrels.
Ana N. Geuladris, Gr., gen. cargo.

SHIPS EXPECTED

21.6 Assimina, cement.
Mosscrest, gen. cargo, cement, coal.
Czech, gen. cargo, machines, pipes.
Exilona, gen. cargo.
Feyzaa, soyabean.
22.6 Filippo Grimani, passengers, gen. cargo, mail.
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Applicants should give their age, details of knowledge, experience and information on former places of employment as well as salary expected. This should be sent in to the Town Clerk, Haifa Municipality, not later than July 3.
ABA HUSHI, Mayor.
Haifa, June 21, 1951.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM
8.6: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo; Romema.
9-1: 8-9: Chabadi Exhibition (oils, drawings, engravings, ceramics); Bezalel Museum.
10-1: 4-7: Graphics & Etchings by South Californian artists; Works by Mrs. Gilka; Artists House.
11-1: Crayon Paintings by Ben Ami Scharfstein; New Bezalel School.

TEL AVIV
10-4: Retrospective Exhibition Albert Marquet; Paintings by Artieli; Tel Aviv Museum.
7.30 & 9.30 p.m.: Tihanyi and his wonder revue; Yaaku Haifeta Hall.
8.30 p.m.: "Hotel de Commerce"; Chamber Theatre; Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA
6 a.m.-5.30 p.m. Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 2 Hassan Shukri Street.

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STATE OF ISRAEL

NOTICES TO THE PUBLIC

UNESCO COUPONS

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Israel Unesco Secretariat, Ministry of Education and Culture.

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Custodian of Enemy Property.

EXTENSION

with regard to Israel residents' property and claims in occupied area of Germany.

In accordance with Defence (Finances) Instructions (Information Concerning Property in the Occupied Zone of Germany), 1951, (1) every Israel resident must submit a report to the Foreign Claims Registration Bureau, on the official form, of his property and/or his claims in all occupied zones in Germany, i.e. the western occupied areas, the eastern occupied areas and all sectors of Berlin. This obligation does not apply to property or claims to property whose value dose not exceed one thousand Reichsmark or one hundred Deutsche mark.

2. In accordance with Defence (Finances) Order (Reports on German Currency) (No. 2), 1951, (2) every Israel resident must declare to the Foreign Claims Registration Bureau all privileges for receiving payment in German currency (Ostmark or Reichsmark) at his call in the eastern occupied zone of Germany and likewise in the eastern sector of Berlin.

3. Following the numerous requests by the public to facilitate the submission of the reports on time, the Minister of Finance has extended the date to July 15, 1951, (3).

4. The Foreign Claims Bureau is situated at 17 Rehov Hillel, Schmidt's Girls' College, P.O.B. 1683, Jerusalem; 2 Rehov Pinsker Room No. 425, Tel Aviv; 55 Kingsway, second floor Haifa. The necessary forms and desired instructions and information may be obtained at the above offices.

5. Failure to submit the report or information according to the above Orders may involve legal measures.

6. The submission of the report does not discharge the holder of the moneys, the property and/or the claims from the obligation to deal personally with his claim under the laws of Israel and the laws of the countries where the moneys, property and/or claim has been submitted.

Jerusalem, June 14, 1951.

(—) S. Shlomai
Director, Foreign Claims Registration Bureau.

(1) Reshumot, Kovetz Hatakanot No. 164, P.775. (2) Reshumot, Kovetz Hatakanot No. 164, P.774. Reshumot, Yalkut Hapirsumim No. 148, P.793. (3) Kovetz Hatakanot No. 153, P.1162.

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THE WEATHER

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	53	15	27	27
Nathanya	95	20	28	29
Tel Aviv	70	21	26	28
Lydda	64	18	30	32
Jerusalem	48	15	27	29

Forecast: Fine.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday.

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About 45 per cent of the 31,400 children who have so far registered for elementary schools under the Compulsory Education Law have been entered for Labour schools; 25 per cent have been enrolled in General schools, 15 per cent in Mizrahi institutions, and six per cent for Agudat Israel schools.

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The High Court, exceptionally constituted of five Justices, is to hear arguments today on the status of Knesset Israel (Organized Jewish Community), in the State.

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Ya'acov Hessingman, a butcher from Beersheba, is due to be charged before the Tel Aviv District Court today on 25 counts of beating and abusing Jews who were under his charge at the Greidita work camp in Poland.

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For stealing jewellery worth IL.185 from the home of Mrs. Dvora Tabakov, of Jerusalem, Prosper Ben Gigi, 19, was sentenced to 18 months in prison by Jerusalem Magistrate M. Gaulan on Friday. He was identified by his fingerprints and subsequently detained in Beersheba.

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Shlomo Freiman, of Tel Aviv, was remanded by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court on Friday and charged with obtaining IL.35,000 from numerous persons on the pretence that he would build a housing project in the Kiryat Shalom quarter, near Tel Aviv.

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A tourist from France who had allegedly smuggled into Israel 5,000 pieces of jewellery and 200 watches which he had hidden in his car, was remanded for seven days by the Tel Aviv Magistrate on Friday.

40 Arab Repatriates Due on Thursday

About 40 Arabs will return to Israel at Mandelbaum Gate on Thursday as part of the programme for the reunion of Arab families, it has been announced. The decision for this crossing was taken at a recent meeting between Mr. Y. Argov of the Ministry of Immigration, and Suleiman Wahaba, the Jordan representative.

The Thursday meeting of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission decided to repatriate all Arabs allegedly expelled from Israel, according to the Old City daily, "Falastin." Registration of about 100 such Arabs will begin immediately and will continue until July 31, when the repatriation date will be set, it was said.

Kiryat Anavim Dead Get Military Honours

Two of the four soldiers killed on Wednesday in a clash with Arab National Guardsmen near Kiryat Anavim were buried with full military honours in the Mount Herzl military cemetery on Friday. They were Albert Yaish, 35, who leaves a wife and child, and Pinhas Teherani, 20. Victor Adari, 23, was buried on Mount Herzl on Thursday. Two others who were wounded and are under treatment in Hadassah hospital in Jerusalem were reported to be improving last night.

The fourth casualty, Seren Dov Sandler, 23, of Ramat Gan, was also buried on Friday. Accompanied by a military escort, the bier, draped with the Israel flag and covered with flowers, was taken through Givatayim to the dead man's home in the Borochov Quarter. It then proceeded to the Kiryat Shaul cemetery, where a squad of soldiers fired three volleys over the grave.

University Student

Sandler had been active in the Haganah for many years and had fought on the central front during the War of Liberation. He was a student at the Hebrew University, studying Eastern Affairs on a Foreign Ministry scholarship.

The bodies of three of the Israelis killed in the clash were found near Bet Surik, 300 metres inside Jordan territory, according to "A-Diffa," which allegedly quoted the findings of the Mixed Armistice Commission team which visited the area. An official complaint has been lodged with Colonel Bennet L. de Ridder.

Armed Marauders Rob Sharon Grove

PETAH TIKVA, Saturday.— Eleven Arabs armed with sten and tommy guns held up the manager of an orange grove on the Israel side of the border in the Sharon District early this morning, and stole IL.11 in cash and various parts of a water pump.

The victim, who is reportedly permitted to cross the border to inspect the grove, identified one of the men as a resident of Kalkilia. The marauders were chased by an Israel patrol at daybreak, but none was caught.

ARABS ARREST STRAY JEW

A Jew who crossed the lines in the "Little Triangle" area on Friday morning was arrested by the Arab Legion and transferred to Nablus for interrogation, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reports.

'DIDN'T MEAN TO STEAL'

Moshe Mizrahi, of Jerusalem, was sentenced to three months in prison after confessing to Jerusalem Chief Magistrate M. Gaulan that he had stolen tools for shoemaking from the store of Mr. Haim Gabai.

The accused, who said that he was "in a confused state of mind" while committing the theft, and had actually had no intention of stealing, was ordered to return the tools.

DRUG. — Hundreds of dunams of hashish plants were destroyed by Lebanese police and army units during last week, ANA reports from Beirut.

Bible Broadcasts By Army Radio

A report on the invasion of Canaan by the forces of Joshua son of Nun, and an interview with Kaleb ben Yefuneh his right hand man, were featured by "Galei Zahal," the Army Broadcasting Service, on Thursday evening, as the first in the regular "Galei Zahal Was There" series of features on Jewish history in biblical days.

Army to Register All Jeeps, Trucks

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The registration of all trucks and will begin next week, according to a time-table which will jeeps by the Army authorities appear in all daily newspapers, Aloof Ephraim Ben Artzi, the Quartermaster-General, has told the press here.

The purpose of the registration is two-fold, he said:

1) To let the Army know the exact condition of the country's heavier motor equipment, which may be needed to supplement Army transport during an emergency; and

2) To assign the civilian driver of the vehicle whenever possible to the unit which will use the vehicle in time of emergency.

The latter consideration proved to be important in preserving equipment which passes temporarily into army service, Aloof Ben Artzi said.

The registration is mandatory, and civilian police are authorized to prosecute vehicle owners who do not report on time.

Simultaneously with the general Army Registration, civilian car registration offices will be empowered to proceed with the parallel registration of all cars applying for new licences or asking for renewals.

Car drivers exempt from military service would be required to serve with their cars in time of emergency, Aloof Ben Artzi said.

Last October a partial registration of vehicles was carried out for the purpose of the Autumn manoeuvres, and their owners were summoned personally. This time the registration will be general without any reference to manoeuvres.

IL.300,000 Loan For Capital Approved

The Jerusalem Municipality has been authorized by the Minister of the Interior to apply for a IL.300,000 loan from the Bank Leumi le'-Israel, upon the condition that the terms of the loan meet the Government's approval. The money is to be used to pay Municipal debts.

A IL.3,000 loan by B'nai Brak from the Government for school buildings has been approved under the same condition.

Five Held After Scuffle in Beersheba

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — Three persons were wounded in a clash between newcomers from Iraq and Druze labourers here this evening. Five were subsequently arrested. The Iraqis, who were reported to have been intoxicated, began insulting the Druze who are employed on public works projects near here, and in the fight that ensued the cafe in which they were all sitting was wrecked. A crowd of several hundred Iraqis gathered in the street outside during the clash.

Beduin to Be Tried For Murder

REHOVOT, Saturday. — A Beduin who had allegedly murdered a neighbour after a dispute over water was committed for trial by the Magistrate, Mr. M. Even Tov, here yesterday.

The younger brother of the accused had been pushed aside by another Beduin while he was drawing water from a well in the Negev, witnesses testified. When the boy ran home and told his brother, Abu Rabu, 20, the latter seized his gun and rode out to the well. There he allegedly shot the deceased, Salim Abu Sarchan, 30, three times in the back.

When police searched the Abu Ghalion tribe, of which the accused is a member, they found him hiding in a tent dressed as a woman, the evidence states.

Kibbutz Hameuhad Dealt Hard Blow by Split—Tabenkin

REHOVOT, Saturday. — The council of Kibbutz Hameuhad met at Givat Brenner this weekend, with only Mapam members participating, following the decision of Mapai members to leave the movement. Although the Council had been called to discuss questions of hired labour, the absorption of immigrants and the youth movement, the effect of the split was the main subject of most speakers.

The meeting, attended by about 2,000 delegates and visitors, was opened last night by Mr. Yitzhak Tabenkin, who admitted that the movement had been dealt a hard blow, and who deeply regretted the Mapai decision to withdraw. He thought it unbelievable that settlements such as Kfar Giladi, which had witnessed the courage of Trumpeldor and the Shomrim; Ayelet Hashahar and Kinneret, should decide to secede.

"How can Upper Galilee continue without Kibbutz Hameuhad, and how can Kibbutz Hameuhad continue without Upper Galilee?" he asked. "How can such veteran settlements, with their historical background, decide to form another movement?"

No Political Party

Kibbutz Hameuhad was not a political party, nor a state, nor a separate nation, but a way of life developed through four generations, he said. No such breaks had occurred in other kibbutz organizations.

Why had it occurred in Kibbutz Hameuhad? he asked.

When the conference was continued this morning, Mr. Shalom Schechter, of Ashdot Ya'akov, was the only speaker to devote the major part of his address to the items on the agenda. Outlining what he thought should be the future policy of the movement, he said that hired labour should be barred. Settlements with industries which required outside hands should call upon neighbouring settlements for assistance, or when this is not possible the undertaking should be run by Kibbutz Hameuhad as a whole, thus obviating the individual settlement making money through hired labour.

A special economic committee should investigate all settlements to ensure what industries should be operated without hired workers. At present, he said, there were 620 hired workers employed in settlements of the movement on agriculture and industry, and another 250 on construction work. He appealed for the raising of IL.75,000 within the next six months to foster the development of Kibbutz industries.

The general debate closed during the afternoon session today, and this evening's meeting was devoted to voting on resolutions. Speakers during the afternoon session appealed for discussion by the thousands of rank-and-file members, who were appalled by the development of the split in the movement.

Mr. Y. Galili, of Na'an, claimed that Mapai had prepared the split many years ago, but said that "he who starts a forest fire cannot tell where it will stop."

U.S. Labour Secretary Due Here Today

LYDDA, Saturday.— Mr. Maurice Tobin, The U.S. Secretary of Labour, was expected here at about three o'clock tomorrow morning. His Constellation aircraft has departed from Cairo but flew to Nicosia, as it was not cleared for flight direct to Israel.

The U.S. Secretary of Labour has been attending the International Labour Organization Conference in Geneva, and is now making a tour of Mediterranean countries.

Mr. Tobin will follow a crowded itinerary during his two-day visit. Tomorrow he will lunch with the Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, and in the afternoon he will visit President Weizmann at Rehovot. Following this a tea will be given in his honour by the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnett B. Davis, at the latter's residence. The Secretary of Labour and his family will spend the night at the Sharon Hotel.

On Monday, Mr. Tobin will drive to Jerusalem, where he may meet the Prime Minister and various Labour leaders. He is expected to leave Israel the same evening.

DAY-OLD BABY'S BODY

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — The body of a newly-born baby girl, believed to be about a day old, was found in an abandoned house near the petrol station here on Thursday by a group of children playing in the house. The baby was wrapped in a boy's clothing, and is believed to have been born in the house without assistance.

ANTI-INFLATION STEPS SUCCESSFUL

It is understood that the economic discussion at last Wednesday's Cabinet meeting centred about the report submitted the previous week by Mr. David Horowitz, Economic Adviser to the Government. Mr. Horowitz is reported to have indicated that there has been a measure of success in curbing inflation, particularly since the Government ceased issuing Treasury Notes. There was also a 50 per cent increase in imports over last year. The trade balance, however, is still very unsatisfactory, it was learned.

New Maternity Ward Opened in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The new maternity ward of the Municipal Hospital was dedicated by Mayor I. Rokach yesterday in the premises of the former Sarona school which have been rebuilt. The ward will start accepting patients early next week.

Mr. Moshe Shapiro, the Minister of Health, said there were 800 beds in maternity wards all over the country. There were 43,000 registered births in 1950, he said.

24 Held After Riot Released

REHOVOT, Saturday. — The 24 men arrested after the Migdal Ascalon riot last week were released on bail here yesterday afternoon, and were returned to their homes by the police in time for the Sabbath.

Plea on Kashmir To Security Council

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Pakistan called on the U.N. Security Council yesterday to take "effective and adequate measures" to prevent India from convening a proposed Constituent Assembly in Kashmir. The request was made in a letter to the President of the Security Council from the Pakistan Foreign Minister, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan.

Sir Zafrullah Khan accused the Indian government of "conspiring with the Maharaja's Government and Sheikh Abdullah (in Kashmir) to torpedo the international agreement regarding Jammu and Kashmir, by convening a puppet Constituent Assembly."

This, he declared, was to be "elected under the shadow of Indian bayonets to determine the future shape and affiliations of the state."

The proposal to convene a Constituent Assembly, he said, was not only a prejudicial act, but was deliberately designed to by-pass the U.N. and to prevent the holding of a free and impartial plebiscite.

Swiss Eleven Beat Betar T.A. 2:0

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The visiting S.K. Berne football team beat Betar Tel Aviv 2:0 at the old Maccabi Stadium here this afternoon. Half-time score was 0:0 in a match watched by 6,000 spectators. The visiting team is in Israel at the invitation of Betar Tel Aviv and Maccabi Avshalom Petah Tikva.

The Swiss team will play their second game in Israel against a combined team of Betar Tel Aviv and Maccabi Avshalom Petah Tikva at the Stadium here on Wednesday.

Knesset Agenda

The Knesset tomorrow will continue the debate on the Immunity Bill for members, and on the Women's Equal Rights Bill, which were tabled in the House last week.

The 21-item agenda also includes a bill on the salaries of the President of the State, Cabinet members, judges and the State Comptroller. The Nationality Law is item 17 on the agenda.

OPENED. — A home for aged journalists has been officially opened at Montmorency, near Paris, by President Auriol.

Japan Seeks Economic Progress

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — Japan today announced her "firm intention" to apply for admission to the International Monetary Fund and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

In a statement on economic policy, the government committed the nation to observing the "principles of good faith in international economic relations," and promised to follow a deflationary policy to be operated through a balanced budget, to keep the Yen at the present exchange rate, and to control the allocation of internationally scarce commodities.

It also promised adjustment of prices to international levels, expanded exports, encouragement of savings and "guidance of capital funds towards the most necessary objects."

Yesterday, the Allied powers here announced their approval for winding up the holding company liquidation Commission whose main purpose was to supervise the breakup of the giant Japanese industrial cartels after the war.

The official view was that the Commission had now completed its job — eliminating the concentration of economic powers.

Supreme control also approved the lifting of restrictions on the business activities of 53 members of the big Japanese firms who controlled the combines.

A special ordinance against revival of the world famous Mitsui and Mitsubishi firms remains in force. The other eight family companies have also been dissolved but because of their international fame, Mitsui and Mitsubishi were given special attention.

Acting on occupation directives, the Japan Government is also lifting restrictions on former Japanese political and military business leaders.

CORRECTION

Paragraph Six in the Ata Textile Company's Directors' Report published on June 2., should read as follows:

In spinning a production of 1,375,500 kg. of an average count of 18.09 was achieved in 1949 in 776,960 working hours—the P.M.H. (production per Man-Hour) was therefore 1.77 kg. — while in 1950, 1,344,310 kg. of an average count of 18.7 was achieved by 693,891 working hours, therefore at a P.M.H. of 1.94 kgs. Considering the difference in the average count, this means an improvement by approximately 10%. The indoor weaving production expressed in standard square metres and the corresponding working hours were in 1949—4,262,902 sq. m. and 413,324 working hours, and in 1950—4,749,310 and 366,569 respectively. The P.M.H. in 1950 was therefore 12.9 sq.m. as against 10.3 in 1949, which means an increase by more than 25%.

Cables in Brief

VISIT. — The Turkish President, M. Jalal Bayar, will visit Amman after his official visit to Beirut next month.

PROPAGANDA — The Arab League is to sponsor a film, showing "Jewish acts of barbarism during the Palestine war." It will be shown in Britain and the U.S. for propaganda purposes.

PROTEST. — Czechoslovakia has accused the U.S. of "systematically and grossly violating her territorial sovereignty" by the crossing of the Czech air frontier by American aircraft.

PACT. — India and Russia have signed a trade agreement to cover the export of 100,000 tons of wheat by Russia in exchange for "freely sold Indian goods."

GAIN. — Britain's Labour Government restored its Parliamentary majority to five on Thursday, by winning a bye-election at West Houghton, Lancashire. Mr. J.T. Price was elected.

FEUD. — A state of emergency was declared in the southern half of Eritrea yesterday in an effort to end the age-long feud between tribes living in the area.

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URGENT DUTY

TODAY the Party lists must be submitted for the Second Knesset. This body will have a great share in forging the character of the State, and today's technical step forward may serve to remind every citizen of his urgent duty in this matter. From among the men and women whose names appear on these Party lists will have to be drawn the people who will decide policy and principle, at home and abroad, and who will shape the future and the fortunes of the voters themselves. Among these lists every voter should be able to discover the political personalities to whom he would wish to entrust his own and the country's welfare. With their publication the real election campaign has begun, and every voter will have to contribute his share towards democratic government by giving honest thought now to the kind of government that he wishes to see.

In the meantime, also, work on the Congress elections has progressed sufficiently to show that, despite all gloomy prophecies, a major piece of Zionist work was done by the 280,000 persons in Israel who went to the polls. It is a credit to the maturity of the Israel public that despite the overwhelming importance of the Knesset elections in the State, so large a number should have voted; and it promises something for future stability that there should have been an election in which, despite proportional representation, a single party should have obtained half the mandates, as Mapai has done.

Now that the voters' lists have been made public, it remains for individual voters to make sure that they have been included on the registers in their district, that their particulars are correctly given, and that they will not be excluded on technical grounds from exercising the supreme duty of citizenship. Only this present week remains in which to adjust errors; failure in this respect cannot be repaired later, and will cost the right to vote. It is known that a large number of people were prevented from voting at the Congress elections by the fact that in the period during which the Congress was repeatedly postponed they mislaid their shekel, and lost their right to make their weight felt at this crucial time. Large numbers of applications for inclusion on the Knesset election lists are certain to be received on Friday, the last date set for acceptance, and the earlier in the week the applications are made, therefore, the better for all concerned. There is no single process more important at this juncture, and more decisive for the country's future, than the election of the coming Knesset and Government of Israel by as many of its citizens as possible. There is no single act, then, more important for the citizen this week than to make sure that he will in due course be able to cast his vote.

Importers Subscribing To Loan Get Extra Licences

Import licences for additional quantities of essential commodities are available to regular importers who have subscribed to the National Loan, it was announced on Friday. Importers normally trading in the following types of goods can apply for permits to the regional offices of the Ministry concerned:

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THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

Speeding Legislation Backlog

By Gerda Luft

ONE of the wits in the lobby of the Knesset suggested a way of speeding up the work in the Knesset. If one could make sure that at least two parties were absent for a day or so; if the majority of the members could be kept busy attending party meetings, discussing election tactics and preparing lists of candidates, with only a dozen members left in the House, and the galleries empty because nobody expected fireworks, the House could really settle down to business.

In actual fact, on Tuesday and Wednesday, when the Progressives and the Mizrahi were away at their respective conferences, and the attendance was very poor, the Knesset did succeed in going through the readings of several important bills.

Backlog Diminished

The big backlog of legislation was diminished by several items. The bill for the establishment of a postal bank was passed, as well as the bill setting up state control of insurance companies. Changes in the rent restriction ordinance were discussed and a bill empowering the Government to guarantee mortgages for popular housing was passed to committee. This list is an impressive result of less than two days' work.

The Knesset, however, did not consider this work any special achievement. The issues dealt with were of secondary importance, and the House is very sensitive to drops in attendance. What is more, it was generally recognized that the clearing up of some of the backlog was due less to a sense of urgency which prompted the House to clear up arrears than to a hitch in the normal proceedings.

The building up of a logical and balanced agenda is one of the main problems of the Knesset and of the Government. Things have become more complicated since the first Knesset realized that it had only a few weeks left to pass legislation necessary to ensure orderly elections, and the Government wanted to push through a number of other bills before July 30. Pressure has also been increased by the Government's promise to table a number of bills of primary importance before the Knesset dissolves.

Women's Status

Among them is the law for equal status for women. On Monday evening when the stage was set for the tabling of the two bills which deal with this issue — one prepared by the Ministry of Justice, the other by Mrs. Rahel Cohen — there was expectancy in the air. One wing of the gallery was crowded with delegates of the Wizo conference which had to interrupt its session in order to give Mrs. Cohen her chance to defend her proposal in the House. Those however who hoped for the beginning of a serious debate on this crucial issue were disappointed.

The decision of the Government to interrupt the voting of the immunity bill after the unexpected and sharp opposition of the Prime Minister roused fierce argument in the House. Not only because a majority of the members want the bill passed before the elections but because the prerogative of the Government to fix the agenda of the Knesset was interpreted for the first time as the right to interrupt the voting.

Nobody has as yet challenged the right of the Government to control the agenda. But if the voting on a bill in its second reading is suddenly interrupted, it makes it possible to delay the acceptance of bills in their last stages. This would not only put the Government in a position to hold up legislation which it does not like but it would further hamper orderly procedure. This issue is now being debated in the Knesset Committee and will occupy the House next week.

The interruption of the session caused by the bombshell dropped by the Prime Minister prevented the expected introduction of the debate on women's rights. The Minister of Justice introduced the Government proposals on the subject which are much more conservative than those of Mrs. Cohen who lost her opportunity to address the House immediately after Mr. Rosen.

This is one of the most glaring examples of sudden changing from one topic to another which has become an almost daily occurrence in the Knesset during the last weeks, and makes the discussion of and makes discussion erratic and somewhat casual.

Sudden Change

In some of the committees questions of the first importance were discussed and decided this week. The Legal Committee, which has been busy drafting a bill for the defence of the State which is to replace the Defence Regulations, adopted by a majority vote a proposal to ban administrative imprisonment except in time of war.

If this point should be accepted in the House it would mean a far-reaching step in the direction of normal peacetime rule. The same tendency is to be seen in the decision to abolish military rule in a large part of the "triangle."

One of the main characteristics of the Knesset during these last weeks is the unpredictability of the moods of the House. When the Government coalition was still working properly and even some months after the Government crisis, it was fairly easy to foresee how voting would go. All this is changed now.

De Valera P. M. by One Vote Margin

By Garret FitzGerald

THE return to power of Eamon De Valera, veteran leader of the powerful Fianna Fail Party, in the face of his failure to secure an overall majority in the General Election held at the end of May, has come as a surprise to the Irish people. It is true that opponents as well as supporters expected him to win power at the polls, but once the announcement of the last election result made it clear that he lacked five vital votes it was generally supposed that his fate was sealed.

Five Vital Votes

It seemed an impossible task to obtain for Fianna Fail the support of five Independent Deputies, for the Independents, having to pay their own election expenses, seek to avoid frequent elections, and Mr. De Valera has never been content to govern without an absolute majority for any prolonged period. Furthermore until shortly before the dissolution all the Independent deputies re-elected to the present Dail had voted for and supported the Coalition consistently.

So when the Dail met for the first time on June 13, there was an atmosphere of tension and drama in the Chamber far beyond what is normal on such occasions. It had become known that Mr. De Valera was making a serious attempt to regain power and that the issue as between his Party and the Coalition remained still in doubt. Restlessly the Dail submitted to the wearysome preliminaries followed by the election of a Speaker. As the existing Fianna Fail Speaker resigned and was replaced by a Coalition Deputy, this was the first move in De Valera's game, for it gained him a vote and cost his opponents another.

Deputies Explain Votes

After Mr. Costello and Mr. De Valera had been proposed for the post of Taoiseach (Prime Minister), the vital speeches began as each of the 'doubtful' Independents, with a leavening of others who felt that they too had something to contribute to the debate, announced and explained their decisions. After a short speech by the Foreign Minister, (Republican leader Sean MacBride), three Independents rose one after another to announce their decision to support Mr. De Valera. Before a fourth could follow suit Mr. James Dillon, the Independent Minister for Agriculture in the Coalition, intervened with a witty and brilliant speech in favour of the Government in which he had served for the previous three years. In vain, for he was followed by yet another Independent announcing another vote for the Opposition leader. Only one more vote was required, and the next speaker, appreciating the drama of the occasion, was careful to maintain the tension for as long as possible, weighing the pros and cons with exemplary care before informing a hushed Dail that he would support the Coalition whose downfall he had helped to precipitate not many weeks before.

Then came the climax. Mr. Flynn, an Independent Republican from Kerry, rose. It was known that he alone of those remaining was likely to support the Opposition leader, and on his shoulders, therefore, rested the choice of Government at this stage. He chose Mr. De Valera, for whom he had voted unsuccessfully three years before, although in the intervening period he had been a loyal adherent of the Coalition. A few more words from other speakers and the vote was taken, its result inevitable unless, as one Irish paper said, some Fianna Fail Deputy should take the wrong turning by mistake. None did, and by a margin of two votes —one man's decision, for in the event of a tie the Speaker would have cast his vote for the Coalition,—Mr. Costello was defeated, and shortly afterwards Mr. De Valera was chosen by a slightly larger majority, three pro-Costello Deputies refraining from voting against him.

Promises to Independents?

What induced these five men to switch their allegiance to the Fianna Fail leader? What hopes were held out to them, what promises were made? That remains to be seen, but it seems fairly clear that they must have been given some kind of assurance that Mr. De Valera would, if elected, refrain from his usual practice of precipitating another election in the near future in order to free himself from dependence upon the whims of these five men.

MUSICAL DIARY

IN Kol Israel's Tuesday night concert, conducted by Hanan Eisenstaedt, the orchestra was at its best in Benjamin Britten's "Simple Symphony," a most engaging piece, which shows the unmistakable influence of Mahler, just as the same composer's "Variations on a theme of Frank Bridge" does. This, too was performed recently by the Kol Israel orchestra. Uri Shoham was the gifted soloist in Mozart's beautiful Concerto for Flute in D major, and he gave evidence of his development in this intricate piece. The concert ended with a not too exciting reading of Schubert's Tragic Symphony in C minor.

Freudenthal and Spivakovsky

THE I.P.O.'s Subscription Concert No. 8 at the Edison on Thursday was marked by the Jerusalem debut of both the conductor, Heinz Freudenthal, and of the violinist, Tossy Spivakovsky. The concert opened with a work by the contemporary Swedish composer, Lars Erik Larsson, the Passacaglia from the opera "The Princess of Cyprus," which seemed to be a typical piece of 19th Century music, loud with pomp and circumstance.

The mere fact of the performance of a Bruckner symphony was remarkable in itself. But why of all nine symphonies was it just the Third? The "Romantic" Fourth or the Eighth would have seemed a better choice. Generally we find that Bruckner, even in his boldest brass settings, lacks Wagner's brute force, and instead of the latter's Wotan cult and heavy Teutonic mythology, Bruckner expounds a deep Catholic religiosity. But the Third symphony seems an antithesis to the tender and meditative message of the Romantic Fourth; it is clumsy and heavy, reflecting the "Nibelungen-fanfares," although it has, of course, a special beauty in Bruckner's harmony, particularly the scherzo which was the model for Mahler's "Landler." Mr. Freudenthal, who in the first piece immediately revealed his temperament, gave a passionate performance of this baroque music.

Tchaikovsky's unrivalled violin concerto was a relief. Tossi Spivakovsky, who was handicapped during his Tel Aviv debut by a trying hamsin, this time was in top form. His tone had deep feeling in that inspired concerto, but was never sentimental. His warm cantilena was excellent, his technique immaculate and especially vivid in the finale.

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Readers' Letters

SMALL CHANGE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—On three separate occasions, at the Tel Aviv Department of Posts and Telegraphs, my expectations of the small change which happened to be due to me of five, two and three prutot respectively, were rudely disappointed.

Now as a tourist with a certain regard for the niceties of good form, I should be grateful if you would kindly let me know if a request for the return of small change constitutes either a solecism or a breach of some unwritten law, since I left with a feeling that the Counter Clerks in question were pained, even shocked, in my case. Further, if it is not done to return such paltry sums to the public, perhaps you can enlighten me as to what is done with the yearly surplus of odd prutot thus accrued.

Yours etc.,
ENID SHALOM

Tel Aviv.

NIGHT DISTURBANCE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Sleep is the latest on the list of rationed commodities in our neighbourhood. I live in Jaffa surrounded by mechanical workshops. Recently the workshops began to operate full force at night. By doing this they lose hours for the workers in the neighbourhood who are too tired to go to work in the morning and as a result are not as efficient as they might be after a good night's rest. Not only are the men affected, but the women and children as well.

Yours, etc.,
GEULAH AHARONI

Jaffa.

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TO MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

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THIS PROMISE WAS NOT KEPT.

After that period we received a new promise in writing from the Deputy Minister of Agriculture that this committee would begin its work within ten days.

THIS PROMISE TOO WAS BROKEN.

We are unable to subsist on empty promises; nor do we agree to the continuation of the situation as it is.

In spite of the high cost of living during the past two years, the prices fixed by the Government for our products are much lower than those which prevailed two years ago. To date, the wages fixed by the Government for hen-house attendants who have been expert in this branch of work for over 15 years total IL.1.910 pruta per day. And that when we must pay a helper a daily wage much higher than that figure. Furthermore, the obstacles introduced by the irregular supply of fodder has brought down production, and many fowl breeders have been obliged to cut down on their economy. There thus exists a real danger that the amount of eggs and meat for civilian consumption is bound to drop appreciably.

These deferments point to indifference and neglect, bringing despair to the fowl breeders who are pressing their organizations to take strong measures to guard their very existence.

In the name of thousands of fowl breeders whom we represent, we request you to take effective action to remedy the situation.

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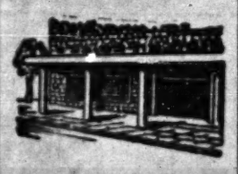

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